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WALL FRIEZE!

HI GANG!

Mmmmm! There's nothing quite like a summer picnic is there? Just as long as you don't get invaded by ants! Catchum's looking pretty *scary* on the cover isn't he?
Do you remember the story *Fishy business*? It was in issue 59, the one that appeared the week before last. Remember it? We discovered that there was a shark in Gummyfoot Swamp! Well, this week we discover that this shark is not all it seems to be! Confused? You will be!

Montgomery

NEXT WEEK:

The **last** part of your super **FREE FRIEZE!**

The Gang have a swimming time in **Venice!**

The Blunders babysit for a very strange family!

GANG PROJECT

ZIPPER-CISE!

Hi! Zipper here! Now that Spring's arrived there's no excuse for sitting around getting fat and lazy! I've devised a simple spring exercise to help you shape up – it's called a **sit-up:**

- Lie flat on your back on the floor.
- Bend your knees.
- Put your hands behind your head.
- Now pull your head and shoulders off the floor and touch your knees with your elbows. (It's not as hard as it sounds – honest!)
- Lower your head and shoulders onto the floor again.

Repeat this exercise 5 times. It helps if you ask a friend to hold your feet down on the ground while you're doing it!

DON'T MISS OUT!

We'll be giving away the last part of our free frieze next week! So be sure that you don't miss it by cutting out the form below and handing it to your newsagent.

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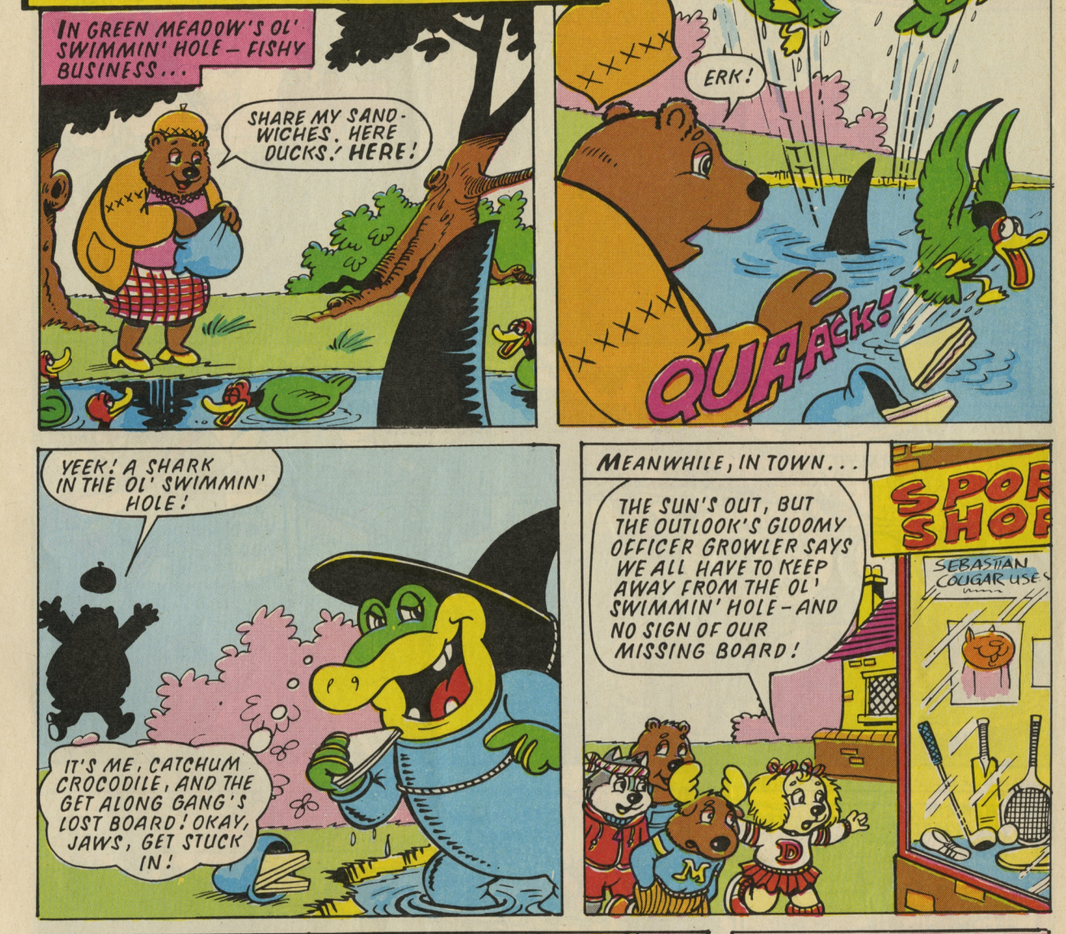
...IN FISHY BUSINESS! (PART 2)
Catchum has fooled everyone into believing that there's a shark in Gummyfoot Swamp!



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ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF TOWN...

ARNIE AIREDALE AIRIAL ADVERT

YOU WANT TO DO WHAT? WELL OKAY, I DO HAVE ONE SPARE!

HOLD IT! WHERE ARE YOU OFF TO? NOT THE OL' SWIMMIN' HOLE I HOPE!

YES, OFFICER GROWLER, BUT ONLY TO PUT UP THIS SIGN!

BEWARE OF THE

AND...

THIS IS THE LIFE, LELAND THE OL' SWIMMIN' HOLE ALL TO OURSELVES!

QUICK, BOSS, SOMEONE'S COMIN'!

SOMEONE'S GOING MORE LIKE!

EEK! THE SHARK... RUN!

BEWARE OF THE WHALE INDEED. THAT DAFT GANG DON'T KNOW THEIR DEEP-SEA DENIZENS!

BEWARE OF THE WHALE

LOOK!

A FOUNTAIN! BIG DEAL, LELAND.

B-BUT IT'S MOVING. IT'S COMING TOWARDS US!

ERK!

IT'S A WHALE! THAT NOTICE WAS FOR REAL! LET'S SWIM OUTTA HERE BACK TO GUMMY FOOT SWAMP!

NOT ME. IT CAN FOLLOW US DOWN-RIVER ABANDON WATER!

HUH? A BLACK FIN... A SNEAKY CROCODILE... HOY, STOP... YOU SHARK CUSTOMER, YOU!

OH, NO!

HE'S OUT OF PUFF. I'LL HOP OVER THIS WALL!

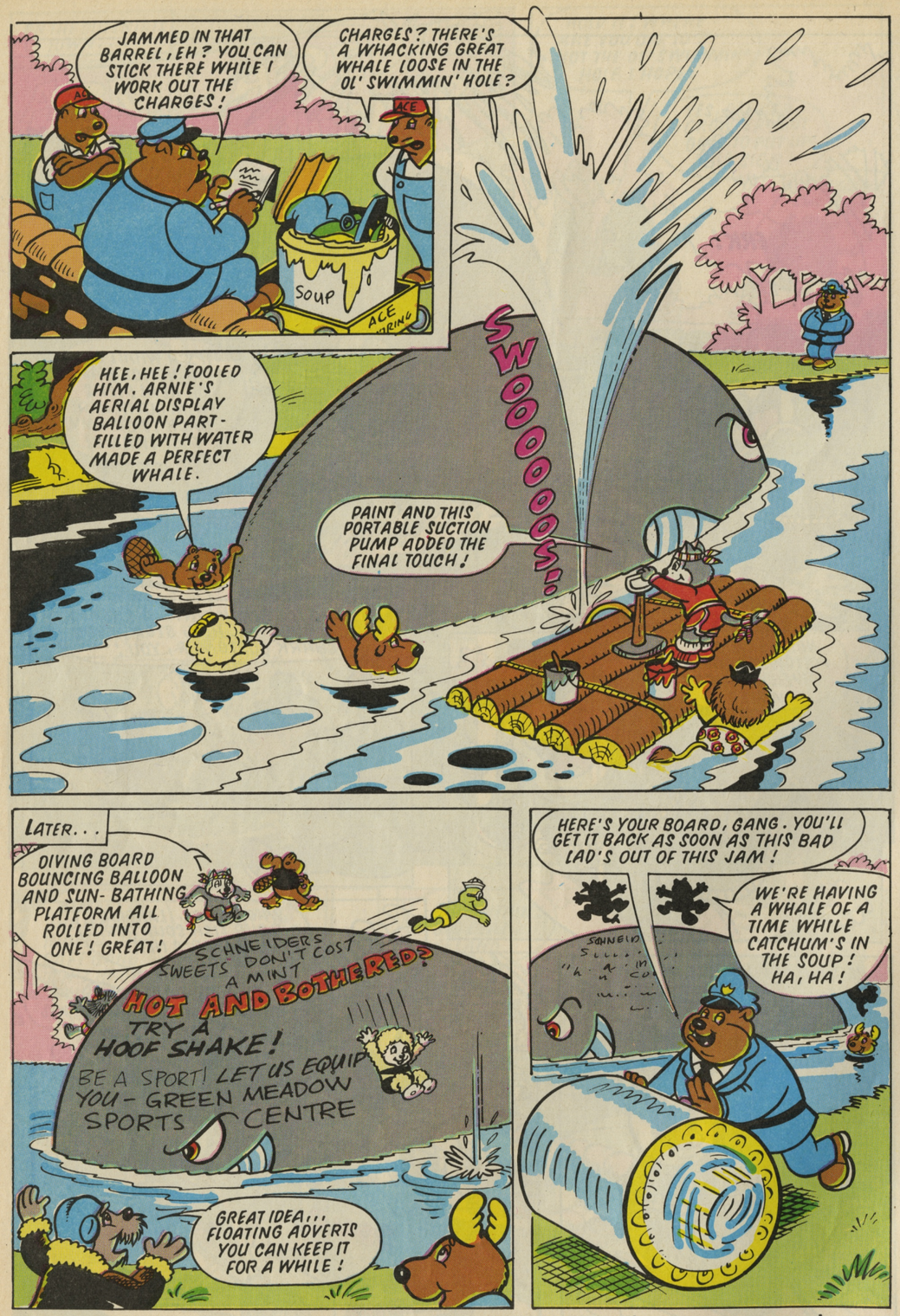
SPLOSH!

GUUGH!

WHO IS THIS... LANDING IN OUR FISH SOUP FOR THE MAYOR'S NEXT BANQUET?

SOUP

ACE CATERING



NEXT WEEK: The Gang get snap happy!

AS EASY AS

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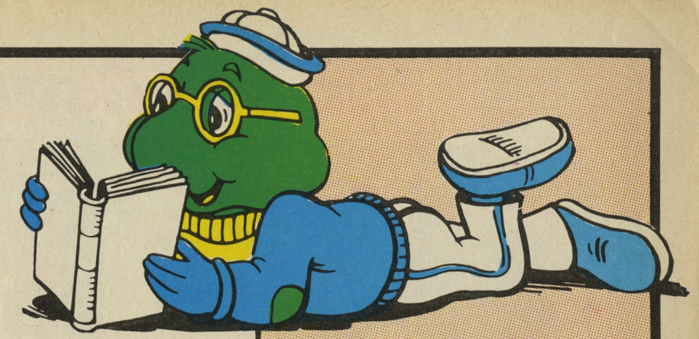


Tabitha. An ancient name meaning *gazelle.*

Taffy. Welsh form of **David.**

Terence. From the noble Roman family, **Terentius.** Also **Terry, Torrance, Tory.**

Thelma. A Greek name meaning *wilful.*

Theobald. An old German name meaning *bold.*. Also **Ted, Theo.**

Thomas and Tamsen - the terrible twins!

Theodore. A Greek name meaning *to reap.* Also **Terri, Terry, Tess, Tessa, Tracey.**

Thomas. *Twin.* Also **Tom, Tamsen.**

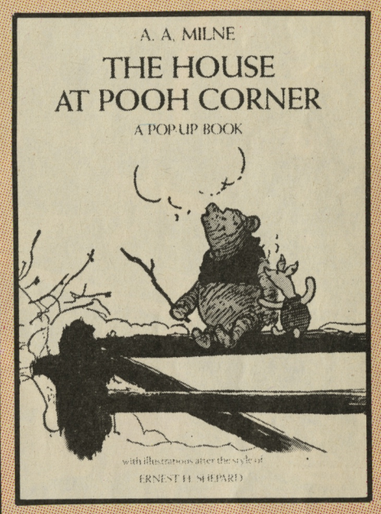
Thora. A Norse name meaning *the thunderer.*

Timothy. A Greek name meaning *honour.* Also **Tim, Tymon.**

Toyah. *Flirt!*

Tracey. *Leader.*

book choice



The House at Pooh Corner – Pop-up book.
By A.A. Milne. With illustrations after Ernest H. Shepard.
Published by Methuen Children's Books.
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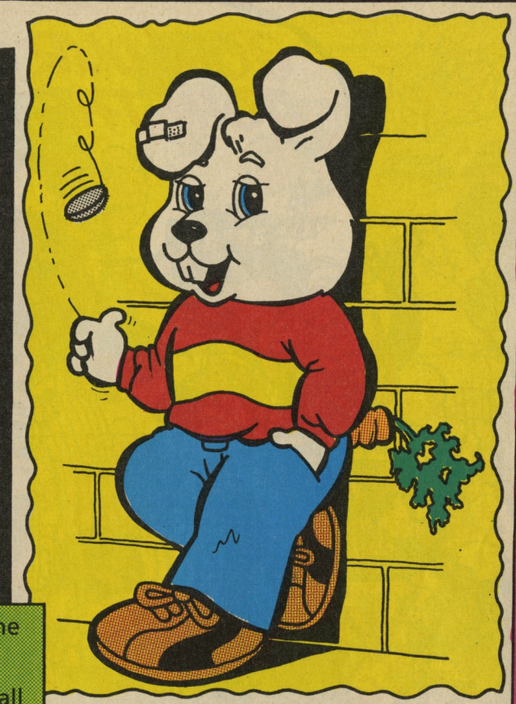
ROCCO'S FLIP COIN GAME!



A game for 2 players. All you need is a coin. One player tosses the coin, the other calls heads or tails. Each time a player wins the toss they put their initials on one of the coins below. When all the coins are initialled count up your money to see who has the most.

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FREE!

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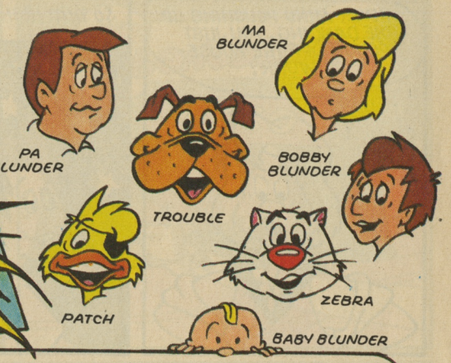
FRANKIE HOWERD'S THE BLUNDERS



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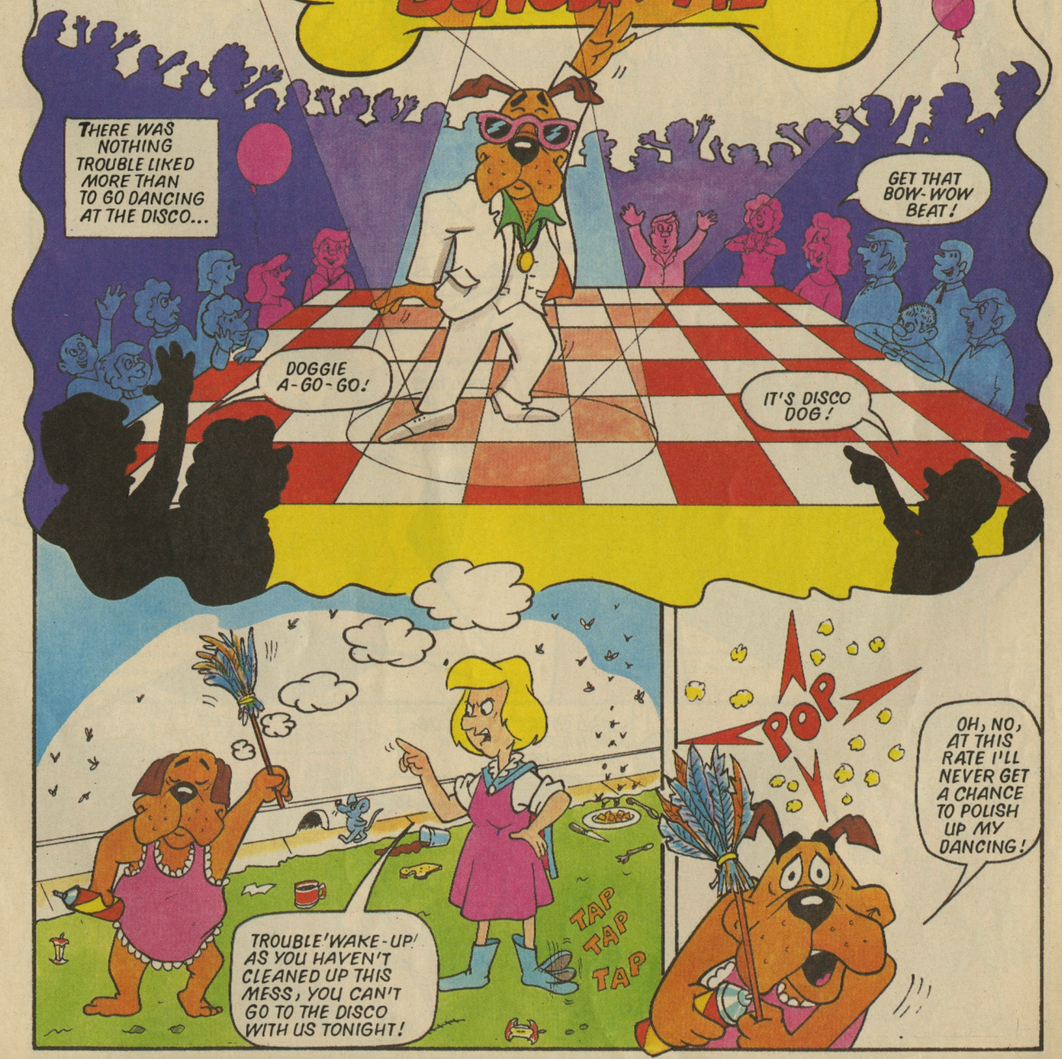

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NEVER MIND POLISHING UP THE DANCING. YOU JUST POLISH OFF THE HOUSE-WORK!

SO THAT NIGHT...

WE'RE OFF NOW!

AND VILLA SHAMBLES HAD BETTER NOT BE IN THE SAME STATE WHEN WE GET BACK!

SNIFF, BYE-BYE, SNIFF! HAVE FUN AT THE DISCO!

BOO, HOO, NOW I KNOW HOW CINDERELLA FELT... ONLY I DON'T HAVE A FAIRY GOD-MOTHER!

BUT TROUBLE WAS WRONG...

FEAR NOT, I'M YOUR FAIRY DOG-MOTHER, AND YOU SHALL GO TO THE DISCO, HERE'S MY CARD!

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WOW, THIS IS GREAT. IF ONLY I HAD SOME-THING TO WEAR!

I'LL SOON FIX THAT!

AND SO THE FAIRY DOG-MOTHER WAVED HER MAGIC-WAND...

...AND TROUBLE BECAME 'DISCO DOG'..

YOU MUST REMEMBER TO BE HOME BY MIDNIGHT. THAT'S WHEN THE MAGIC WEARS OFF!

FAIRY 'NUFF!

THE BONODROME DISCO

SO TROUBLE WENT TO THE DISCO AFTER ALL...

ER, 'DIS GOES HERE, AND 'DIS GOES THERE!

IT'S DISCO DOG... HE'S A GREAT DANCER!

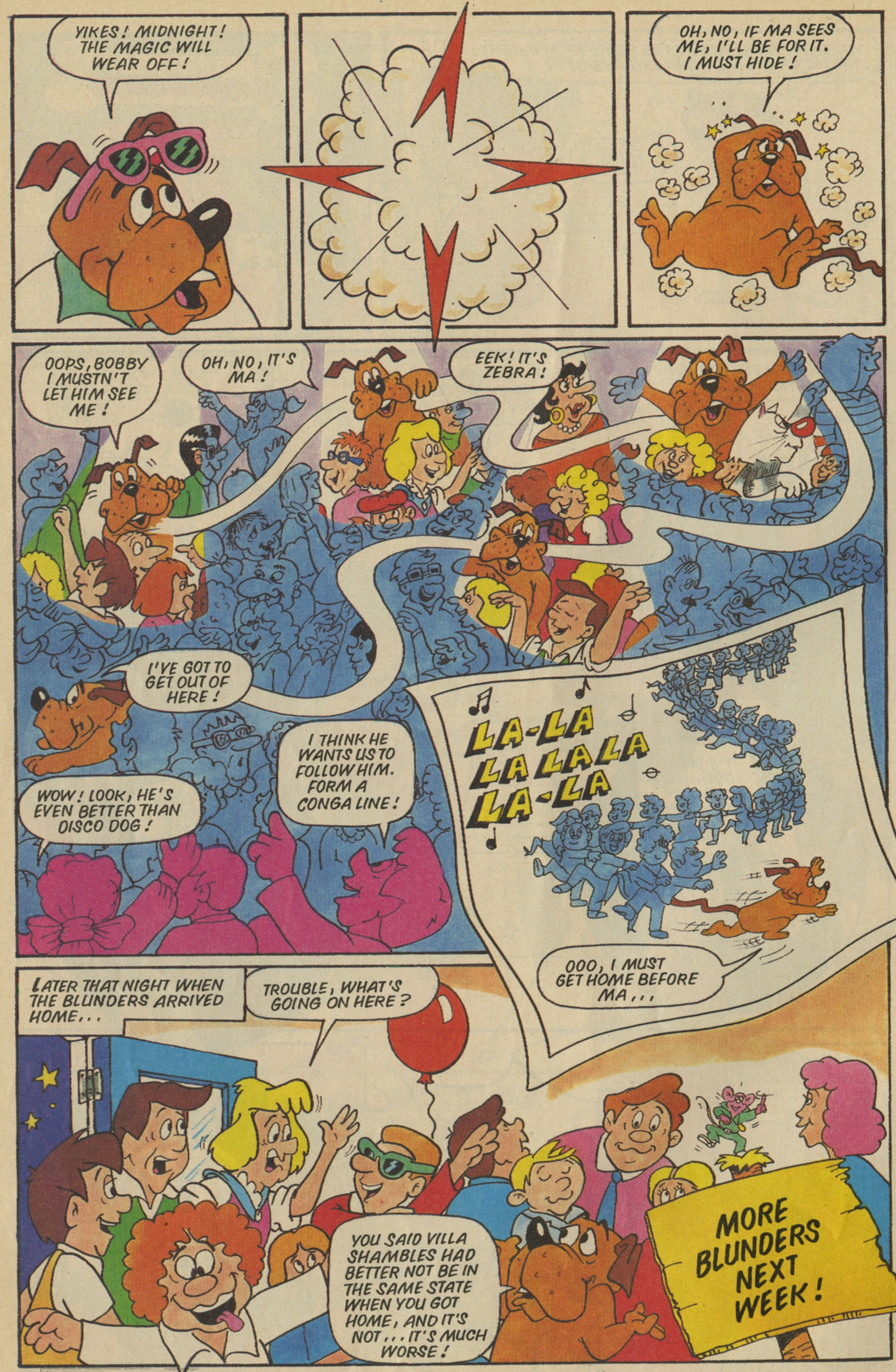
HMM, DISCO DOG'S A REAL COOL CAT!

BUT TROUBLE WAS SO BUSY DANCING HE FORGOT THE TIME...

AND...

...OH WHAT A BLUNDER

DING DANG DING DONG



Colouring Chaos!

Here's a really scary picture for you to colour. Aren't you glad you're not a crow!

SCARECROW CROC!

"**Whew!** Wotta scorcher!" Bingo grinned as he sat outside the Clubhouse Caboose with his friends, soaking up the sun. "I'm going to stay put here all day – bet on it."

Montgomery shook his head. "I don't like wasting my day doing nothing. How about us getting along to the river for a paddle?"

Flora and Rudyard agreed that this was a great idea but Woolma, her face covered in a mud pack, mumbled. "I can't move. I have to keep this on for another hour. Then I'll be more beautiful than ever."

"More like the Creature from the Big Bog!" snortled Zipper, ducking quickly as Woolma threw her cushion at him.

Dotty and Portia came out of the Caboose carrying a small picnic hamper. "We don't fancy sunbathing or paddling," Dotty said. "We're going on a picnic in Farmer Hay's field."

Zipper, who was busy touching his toes to keep himself super fit, perked up. "I'll come. Hope you've packed some salad. I don't want any of that junk food you lot scoff."

Portia grinned. "Good. I'll have your share of the cream cakes then."

Montgomery looked disappointed. "I was hoping we were going to get along together instead of breaking up like this."

"Don't be daft," said Zipper. "There's no harm in it. What could possibly go wrong?"

Catchum, hiding behind the Caboose, listen to the Gang's conversation. He licked his lips hungrily. "I don't care what the other twits do but I want that hamper!" He sneaked off to scheme.

"This is the perfect spot for our picnic," cheered Dotty, leading Portia and Zipper into a large field. "Only that scarecrow for company."

The friends looked over to where an ugly scarecrow was standing on a pole. Portia looked at the scarecrow's tattered clothes and sniffed in disgust. "**Uggh!** He's not very trendy. You wouldn't catch me wearing clothes like that."

"Twit!" laughed Zipper. "He's not supposed to be trendy. He's there to scare the crows away."

"With an ugly mug like that he could almost scare me away," said Dotty. "Funny. He reminds me of someone."

"No one we know is that ugly," Portia giggled. "Except maybe Catchum."

The "scarecrow" frowned crossly. Actually it wasn't a scarecrow at all, but Catchum in **disguise**! He had changed places with the real scarecrow to pinch the Gang's picnic. "**Gurr!** Insult me, eh? For that I'm gonna scoff **all** their grub!

Back at the Caboose Woolma and Bingo were having problems. "**Yeeoow!** I've been sitting on an ants nest!" yelped Bingo, leaping into the air, covered in ants.

"**WAAAAAAHH!** The sun's baked my mud pack rock hard!" wailed Woolma. "I can't get it off! M-Maybe I'll be stuck like this forever!"

The two friends hurried down to the river. Bingo leapt towards the water to try and wash the ants away. . . and landed on top of Montgomery. Woolma, who couldn't properly see where she was going, collided into Flora and Rudyard who were standing on the bank still fully dressed, and pushed them into the river. **KER-SPLAAASSH!**

"**Phew**! The water's washed off my mud pack," gasped a relieved Woolma. The others weren't so happy. "**Huh!** I thought Zipper said nothing could go wrong by **not** sticking together," grumbled Montgomery. "Just wait until I see him!"

"Portia! You've scoffed my sandwich!" Zipper accused his friend, looking at his empty plate.

Portia glared back at him. "I did not! But Dotty's pinched my cream cake!"

"**Oooh!** You fibber! I turn my back for one moment and my trifle's vanished. Who's the guzzleguts who took it?"

The Catchum scarecrow tried hard not to smirk. "**Coo!** I'm full up! Fancy those twerps having their picnic beside me." He patted his fat tummy. "I just reached out and grabbed their grum when they weren't looking. Now they're falling out too!"

Montgomery and the others came hurrying up. While the Gang were squabbling Catchum decided it was time to leave. "That Montgomery's a right clever-clogs. He'll soon spot I'm not a real scarecrow." Catchum pulled the pole he was hanging on out of the ground and started waddling away.

"**Eeeeep! A w-w-walking scarecrow!**" Portia gasped, watching Catchum hurring away.

"It's Catchum!" Zipper growled. "He's the one who's been pinching our food."

Montgomery grinned. "Let's teach him a lesson."

The Gang ran up to Catchum and lifted him off his feet. "This scarecrow's not secure enough," said Montgomery, planting the pole Catchum was attached to back into the ground.

Zipper, being the fastest runner, had hurried back to the Caboose. He soon returned with a length of rope which the Gang used to tie Catchum to the pole. "Now he won't blow away in the wind," Bingo chuckled.

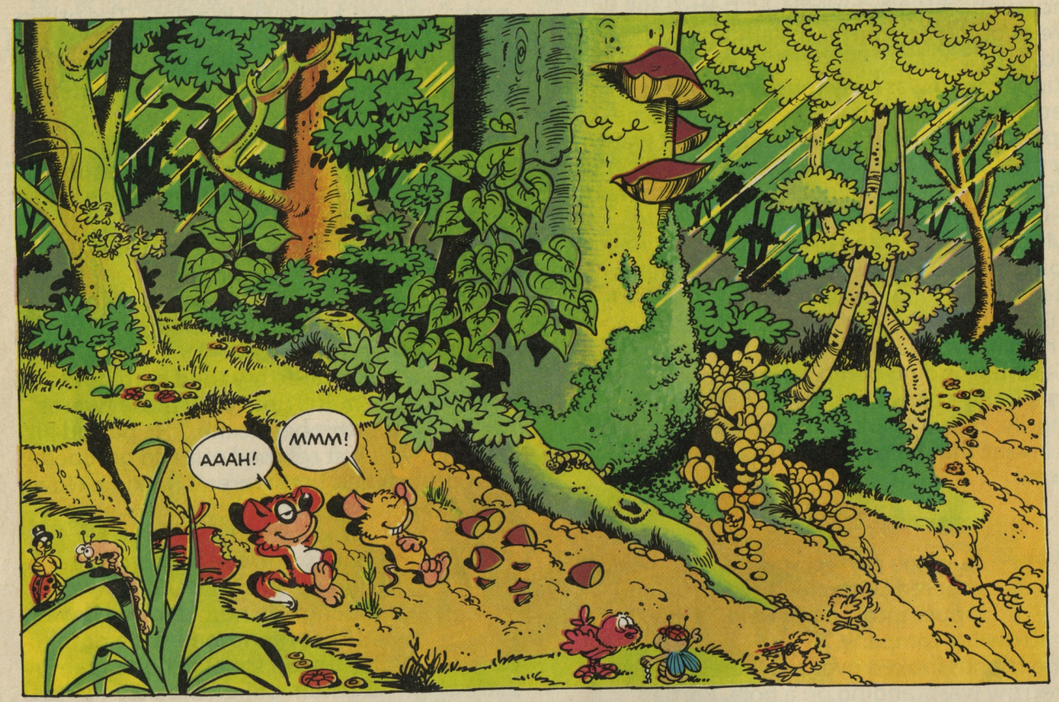
Catchum wasn't amused. "**Hey**! Lemme down! I've gotta go home for my dinner!"

The Gang left the field, laughing merrily. "We'll leave him there for a few hours," Montgomery grinned. "Now let's **hoof** it to Hoofnagel's for a cooling ice cream."

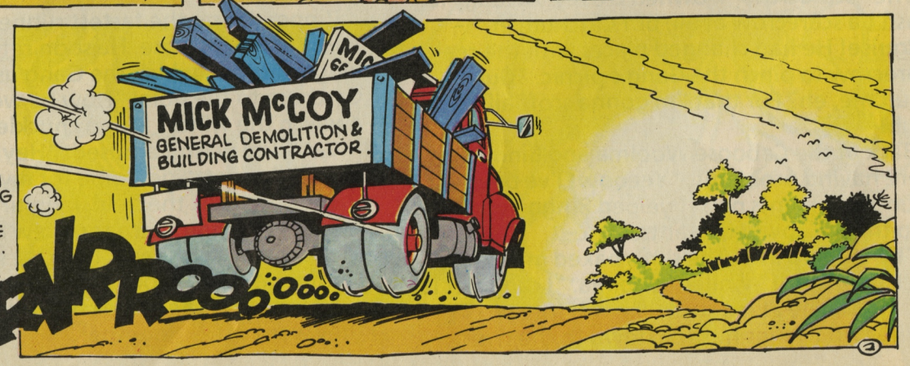
"**Yaaaaay**!" the Gang cheered. And this time they went off. . . **together.**

The hilarious adventures of two little field mice and their country friends!

CLORO AND DIGBY



SO, READERS, THERE REALLY WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ANY STORY TO TELL YOU THIS WEEK... IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR A CERTAIN LORRY, HEADING STRAIGHT TOWARDS THE LITTLE WOOD...



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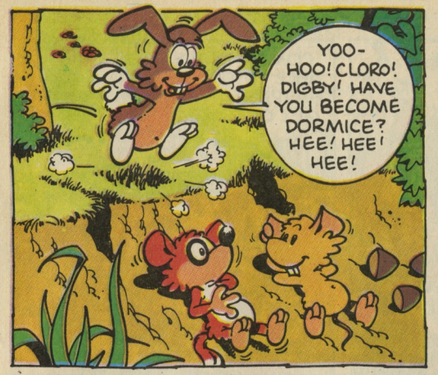

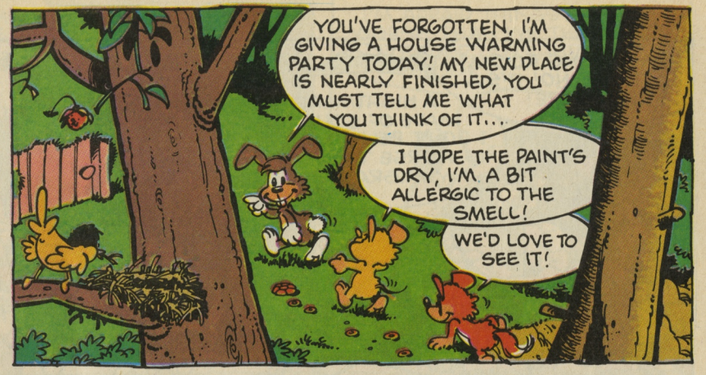

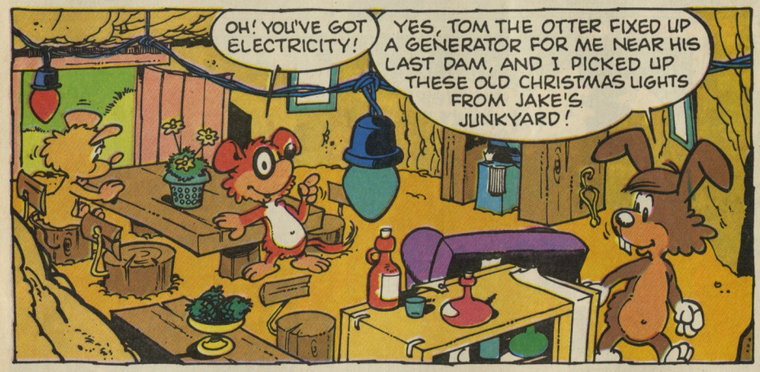

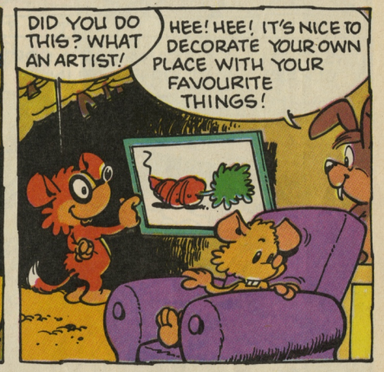

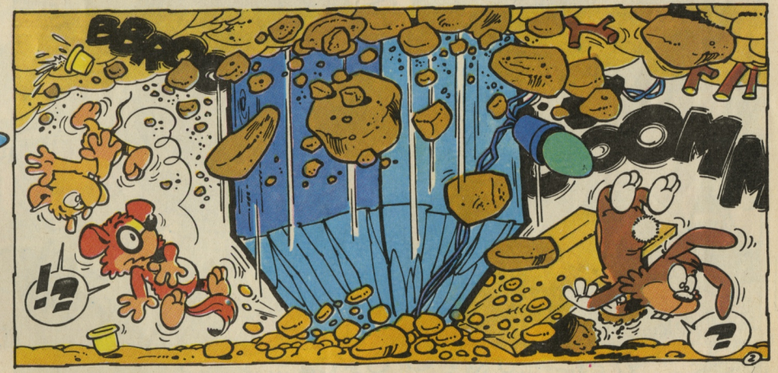

MY SITTING ROOM! MY ROOF! NO! IT'S A NIGHTMARE!

A NIGHTMARE MADE OF SOLID WOOD! I DON'T BELIEVE IT! THIS IS WORSE THAN ONE OF MY MIGRAINES!

OUTSIDE! QUICK! THE ROOF'S COLLAPSING!

COME ON! WE'LL BE ABLE TO TELL WHAT'S HAPPENED WHEN WE GET OUTSIDE!

IS IT ALL CLEAR?

I CAN HEAR A SORT OF RUMBLING...

IT'S WEIRD! I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING!

UNDER COVER! QUICK!

?

BRRRROOOB

J-J-JUMPING J-J-JELLY-BEANS! THANK GOODNESS WE SAW THAT IN T-TIME!

BUILDING TOOLS! BELONGING TO MEN!

I FEEL SCARED TO KNOW THE TRUTH!

I JUST FEEL SCARED! BE CAREFUL!

IT'S ALL QUIET FOR THE TIME BEING... YOU CAN JOIN ME OVER HERE!

WHAT ABOUT MY ROOF? CAN IT BE FIXED?

I'M AFRAID THINGS MAY BE WORSE THAN WE THOUGHT, MY POOR OLD CHUM. LOOK!

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SO THAT'S WHAT WENT THROUGH MY CEILING!

?

MICK McCOY

SO... IF I'M RIGHT... THIS IS JUST THE BEGINNING...

THAT'S THE TROUBLE!

CLORO! DIGBY! WE'RE LOST!

HELP! SOMETHING'S HAPPENED!

IT'S THE END OF THE WORLD!

NEXT WEEK: Can the wood be saved?

LETTERS TO GUMMY FOOT SWAMP

JUNK FOOD!

Dear Catchum,
What's your favourite food?
Richard Morgan.

Well Richard, I'm very partial to the odd beetle burger with fried frog and mollusc milkshake! **Slurp!**

BIRTHDAY TREAT!

Dear Catchum,
When it's your birthday does Leland bake you a nice, big, gooey birthday cake?
Emma Woodley.

No such luck! Leland's a rotten cook! The best he can manage is caterpillar sandwiches!

Special Get Along hugs to. . .

Michael Nuttell who was 5 on May 5th and who is probably the Get Along Gang's greatest fan!

FORGET ME NOT!

Karen Dingley wrote to us asking for a pen pal pack, unfortunately she forgot to tell us her address. So drop us a line Karen!

GUMMYFOOT GAGS!

Why did Henry VIII have so many wives?
Because he liked to chop and change!
Ricard Pearce

Which member of the gang hates getting her feet wet?
Wellyma Lamb!
Lynsey Pitcairn

There was a young dog called Dotty,
Her friends all thought she was potty!
She caught measles one day,
When she went out to play,
Now potty Dotty is spotty!
Lynsey Pitcairn

BEDTIME BUDDIES!

Dear Catchum,
My favourite member of the gang is Montgomery, I take him to bed with me every night! Do you take anyone to bed with you?
Ian Vaughan

Oh yes Ian, I have a nice slimy little newt called Neville!

Write to:- Mr. C. Crocodile.
Gummyfoot Swamp.
Marvel Comics.
23. Redan Place.
London W2 4SA.

BIRTHDAY PEOPLE!

SUNDAY
Lisa Marie Evans will be 5, **Karen Sherwood** will be 6, **Lucy Beer** will be 8, **Christina Bennett** will be 11, **Donnacha Long** will be 11 and **Neil Mitchell** will be a year older.

MONDAY
Timothy Orridge will be 4, **Carrie-Anne Roselli** will be 6, **Emily Haynes** will be 8 and **Annette Hawker** will be 11.

TUESDAY
Alexander Applewhite will be 3, **Charlotte Legg** will be 4, **Lucy Daniel** will be 6 and **Daniel Everest** will be 6.

WEDNESDAY
Dean Bellamy will be 3, **Matthew O'Connor** will be 6, **Edward Johnson** will be 8 and **Rebecca Hunt** will be 10.

THURSDAY
Robert Booth will be 5 and **Tracey** will be a year older.

FRIDAY
Benjamin Claber will be 1, **Natasha Lodge** will be 5, **Timothy Laverty** will be 6, **Ian and Lee Horton** will be 7, **David and Louis Scott** will be 8 and **Lisa Gilbert** will be 10.

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